

# ELSMERE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The Elsmere Public Library was built in 1995 to provide community library services to an area that had not had local library service since the county-wide bookmobile service was discontinued in the early 1980's. As a joint effort of the New Castle County Department of Libraries (now the New Castle County Department of Community Services), the State of Delaware, and the Town of Elsmere, the library provides service to 36,000 residents.

Staff innovation and dedication has produced a wide range of programming for children and adults. Use of *DelAWARE*, a web-based service, has given Elsmere's townspeople access to an array of library services, which otherwise could not be contained in the current 7,500 square foot building.

## Key Individuals

The supportive Friends Group has been active in advocating for library service in Elsmere.

